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As of Wednesday Pilot Instructor Training

Squadron	Senior Class	Overall
99th FTS	0.0	1.0
558th FTS	1.5	1.9
559th FTS	-4.6	1.7
560th FTS	-5.9	-3.8

Numbers reflect days ahead or behind for senior pilot instructor training class and an average for all PIT classes currently in training.

Navigator, EWO training 562nd FTS 563rd FTS

Air Force	236	Undergraduate	49
Navy	88	International	12
International	1	EWC Course	0
		Fundamentals	0

Numbers reflect students currently in training. The 562nd shows source of navigator students. Air Force students include Air Force Reserve and Air National Guard. The 563rd indicates students in specific courses.

Wing Sortie Scoreboard

Aircraft	Required	Flown	Annual Required
T-1A	2,399	2,340	3,835
T-6A	5,610	5,734	8,863
T-37B	5,601	5,439	8,641
T-38A	5,550	5,658	8,640
T-43A	749	795	1,158

Numbers reflect the required and flown missions as of Wednesday, and the required missions for fiscal 03.

Weekend weather

Day	Forecast	High	Low
Today		94	70
Saturday		96	71
Sunday		94	75

AETC Instructor of the Year

Randolph captain earns honor

Bob Hieronymus
Wingspread staff writer

Capt. Al Dayton, 563rd Flying Training Squadron, was recently selected as the Air Education and Training Command Instructor of the Year for 2002. Col. Mark Graper, 12th Flying Training Wing commander, presented the award May 20 at the wing staff meeting.

Lt. Col. Stewart Price, commander of the 563rd FTS, said that winning this award “was pretty monumental, considering that there are over 3,000 instructors in AETC.”

Captain Dayton distinguished himself by a series of awards, including 12th FTW Instructor Navigator of the Year, 563rd FTS Instructor of the Year, and “Best Instructor in the School House” as voted by a recent graduating class.

Born and raised in North Carolina, Captain Dayton has a bachelor’s degree in political science from North Carolina State University where he earned his commission in the Air Force ROTC program. After attending navigator training here, he went on to fly as an electronic warfare officer on the RC-135 RIVET JOINT and COMBAT SENT systems.

He teaches here in the suppression of enemy air defenses, or SEAD, phase of the EA-6B tactics courses. This is the training the EWOs receive after



Capt. Al Dayton, Air Education and Training Command Instructor of the Year, uses an EA-6B model to show student 2nd Lt. Nicolle Motschwiller how the HARM missile is configured. (Photo by Bob Hieronymus)

the more basic electronic principles phase of the course where they learn how to identify a multitude of radar signals and use the information in a simulated combat environment.

The advanced phase of training also includes tactics for using the High-Speed Anti-Radiation Missile, or HARM, that was effective in both Gulf Wars and in the two Iraqi no-fly zone operations, Northern Watch and Southern Watch.

Captain Dayton was assigned the duty as chief of squadron

standardization and evaluation just 90 days after completing his initial qualification training. He is qualified to teach in five academic flying syllabi in both the electronic warfare and navigation courses. He did all this while rewriting squadron operating instructions and working on a master’s degree.

In addition, he is concentrating on his instrument rating as a private pilot.

He was sent by the 563rd FTS to participate in Red Flag exercises at Nellis AFB, Nev.,

and is a member of the squadron’s road team that goes to Officer Training School, different ROTC detachments and the Air Force Academy to speak about electronic warfare. Captain Dayton, or Al as he prefers to be called, says that “one of the most satisfying things about teaching here is being able to work with young officers, some of whom have never even been in an airplane before, and turning them into effective members of a flying team.”

Split disbursement mandatory

New travel voucher change will affect everyone

By Staff Sgt. A.J. Bosker
Air Force Print News

WASHINGTON — All military travelers must now select the split disbursement option on their travel voucher claims to directly pay their government travel card expenses, according to finance officials.

Split disbursement requires travelers to tally up their GTC expenses and authorize enough funds to be sent automatically to Bank of America to pay off their charges, said Michael G. Weber, Air Force travel card program manager at the Pentagon.

Any remaining travel settlement will still be sent to the traveler’s personal account.

“Although this change was mandated by the 2003 National Defense Authorization Act to reduce the number of delinquent travel card accounts, split disbursement really is a win-win for everyone,” Weber said. “It simplifies the payment process for travelers, gets the bank their money more quickly and

reduces the number of delinquent accounts.”

Nearly half of all Air Force travelers already use split disbursement on a regular basis when filing their vouchers because it simplifies the process for them, Weber said.

“Airmen no longer have to wait for their travel money to be credited to their personal accounts before they can mail a check to the bank,” he said. “It saves them the cost of a stamp or a trip to a bank branch and gets the money to the bank within two or three days.”

By having all travelers pay off their travel card bills automatically, the Air Force should see a decrease in the number of delinquent accounts, he said. This is especially true if a traveler returns from a TDY as a billing cycle is about to turn over, because they can pay off the card before their account becomes 30 days past due.

If a traveler charges more to their GTC than they were authorized, they still must select split disbursement and also reimburse the bank any additional charges, he added.

“Selecting split disbursement on a travel voucher, whether done manually or on an automated travel system, is easy and requires only a few clicks of the mouse or one block to be checked on a form,” Weber said.

Supervisors and approving officials are required to verify travelers selected split disbursement before signing off on any voucher, he said.

“If split disbursement is not selected on a voucher, it will be returned to the traveler to be redone,” he said. “This may delay the processing of the claim and potentially put the traveler’s GTC account into a past-due status.”

Although split disbursement is not yet mandatory for civilian employees, Weber encouraged them to take advantage of its timesaving benefit.

For more information, Air Force travelers can contact the 12th Comptroller Squadron at 652-1851 or unit travel card program manager.



Commander's Action Line

Call 652-5149 or e-mail randolph.actionline@randolph.af.mil

While our goal is to provide the best programs, products and services to our customers, there will be instances when people believe we could have served them better.

In those cases, I ask the individual to first contact the responsible organization to allow the unit commander or manager an opportunity to ensure professional and impartial treatment.

When those officials are unable to provide sat-

isfaction, the individual may contact me through the Action Line. I will ensure each Action Line call is looked into and a reply is given by telephone or in writing. I ask callers to include their name and telephone number so we may send a personal response.

Col. Mark Graper
12th Flying Training Wing commander

(Commander's note: We do not have any Action Lines for publication this week. However, we often receive questions about programs and events through other channels than the Action Line. The following is one of those questions.)

Question My question is about who has the right-of-way on Washington Circle. I believe vehicles already

in the circle have the right-of-way over traffic entering the circle. Is this right?

Answer You are correct. Traffic entering the circle must yield to traffic already in the circle. Here are some traffic rules to abide by:

- If you are exiting at the first or second exit, stay in

Agency contact numbers

Security Forces Services	652-5509	12th FTW IG	652-2727
Civil Engineers	652-5971	Equal Opportunity	652-4376
Transportation	652-2401	FW&A Hotline	652-3665
Military Pay	652-4314	EEO Complaints	652-3749
Civilian Pay	652-1851	Randolph Clinic	652-2933
Safety Office	652-6480	Base Exchange	674-8917
Housing	652-2224	Commissary	652-5102
	652-1856	Straight Talk	652-7469

the outside lane until desired exit can be taken

- If you are exiting at the third exit or beyond, use the inside lane until ready to exit
- If two vehicles are side by side, vehicle on right has right-of-way
- All traffic in circle must signal for turns out of circle

Base joins crackdown on seat belt violators

By Tech. Sgt. Joseph Del Frate
12th Security Forces Squadron
NCO in charge of police services

Military combat isn't the only threat to the safety of U.S. servicemen and women. Traffic crashes remain the leading killer and that's why Randolph will partner with more than 12,000 state, county and municipal law enforcement agencies in a nationwide crackdown against seat belt violators.

"While we are doing everything we can to protect families from unpredictable threats, we must continue to address the most predictable and leading risk our families and military face every day, traffic crashes," said Lt. Col. Roger McNeal, 12th Security Forces Squadron commander.

According to officials at the Pentagon, deaths among military personnel in private motor vehicle crashes are up 35 percent from 2001. In fiscal 2002, 321 military personnel across all services lost their lives in traffic crashes. Tragically, nearly half of those servicemembers who failed to wear seatbelts could have survived if they had buckled up.

"Randolph is not immune to seat belt violations," said Senior Airman Melissa Martinez, 12th SFS traffic clerk. "Fifty-seven seat belt tickets were issued between Jan. 1, 2002, and April 30, 2003, and 13 of

those involved small children who were completely unrestrained, meaning no seat belt and no child restraint seat. Penalties for on base seat belt violations range from non-judicial punishment for active duty military to collateral fines starting at \$35 for retired military and civilian employees."

Military personnel by virtue of age and gender often fit the profile of the low seat belt user, males ages 18-34. That is why teenagers and young adults will continue to be a key target of Click It or Ticket. Fatality rates for teens are twice that of older drivers, and the risk of crashes for teens is four times that of older drivers. And, according to new data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 7,772 teens, ages 16-20, died in traffic crashes in 2002, nearly a six percent increase from 2001, and thousands more were injured.

The two-week enforcement wave, which runs through Sunday, will be supported by more than \$20 million in state and national advertising. It is based on a proven public health model to increase belt use called "high visibility enforcement."

"During the national Click It or Ticket Mobilization, security forces will intensify enforcement of child passenger safety laws, seat belt laws and impaired driving laws by

enforcing seat belt requirements at the installation gates and by proactive patrolling throughout the base.

Drivers who fail to restrain themselves and their child passengers will be ticketed according to the law," said Capt. Kareem Brooks, 12th SFS flight commander.

"We're excited that a nationwide zero tolerance seat belt policy will extend to cover military personnel off base where seat belt use tends to be much lower. High visibility enforcement will undoubtedly save lives," said Linda Howlett, 12th Flying Training Wing ground safety manager. "Commanders, first sergeants, supervisors and all other unit personnel have an obligation to remind their co-workers to wear their seat belts in government vehicles as well as their personal vehicles."

Parents have an added responsibility not only to set the example, but also to enforce the seat belt requirement upon their family members. The ultimate goal of the safety office as related to Click It or Ticket is enforcement through education.

Click It or Ticket high visibility enforcement relies on periods of intense enforcement of seatbelt laws coupled with aggressive advertising and media outreach to let people know about the enforcement. For many non-seat belt users, and especially young people, the threat of a ticket has

proven to be a greater inducement to buckle up than the threat of injury or death.

"We don't leave our young servicemen and women on the battlefield and we shouldn't leave them on the highway either," said Chuck Hurley, executive director of the Air Bag & Seat Belt Safety Campaign and vice president of the National Safety Council. "The fact that our armed forces are not immune to these preventable tragedies is cause enough to make seatbelt enforcement a national priority," said Mr. Hurley.

The mobilization is conducted twice yearly by the Air Bag & Seat Belt Safety Campaign of the National Safety Council in conjunction with law enforcement agencies, state highway safety offices, NHTSA and the National Transportation Safety Board. The mobilization is also part of Buckle-Up America, an ongoing NHTSA initiative to increase belt use and save lives.

Randolph participates in the mobilizations because they work. The U.S. Department of Transportation reported recently that child fatalities from traffic crashes have declined by 20 percent since 1997, when the mobilizations began. The DOT has credited the mobilizations for significantly contributing to this decline and for dramatically increasing child restraint use.

Congratulations Retirees

Today
Col. Dale Vande Hey, Air Force Personnel Center
Col. William Woods, Air Education and Training Command

Master Sgt. Ricky McGowan, Air Force Personnel Center
Master Sgt. Roy Jones, Air Force Security Assistance Training
Master Sgt. Robert Flirt, Air Education and Training Command

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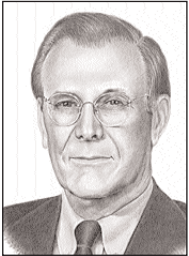
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America at War

“While the terrorists are still being hunted, this much is clear. As Vice President Cheney put it earlier this week, there really is no treaty, there’s no policy of containment or deterrence that works to deal with the problem of terrorism. The only way to deal with the terrorists is to find them and stop them before they launch more attacks.”

Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld
DoD news briefing, May 2003



Randolph supports global mission

As of Monday, 141 Team Randolph members are deployed in support of military operations around the globe.

Ridge outlines how, why terror threat level was raised
By Gerry J. Gilmore
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — Federal law enforcement organizations — and some state and

local authorities — ramped up vigilance when the Department of Homeland Security’s color-coded national terror alert level was raised May 20 from “elevated,” or yellow, to “high,” or orange, the top domestic anti-terrorism official said May 23 on Capitol Hill.

When the terror alert level went to orange, Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge remarked in testimony before the House Homeland Security Select Committee, the amount of protection at federal government buildings and facilities nationwide was enhanced and increased.

Illustrating the heightened alert status, news reports filed today cite the deployment of U.S. combat jets and air defense missiles in Washington as part of anti-terror exercises, as well as heightened security at stateside military installations.

These activities follow reports that a senior al Qaeda official purportedly issued an audiotape May 21 that encourages Muslims to kill Americans and Israelis in additional attacks.

Enhanced domestic anti-terror measures aren’t being limited to the National Capitol region, Ridge said. He pointed out to House Committee members that some major U.S. cities, including Los Angeles and New York, have adopted the federal terror alert system.

Some states have also adopted the federal terror alert system, Ridge said.

Consequently, “one of our biggest challenges, I think, as a country,” Ridge said, “is to accept the notion that from time to time we want to give general information to the public” regarding the terror threat status in the U.S.

However, he said, the color-coded alert system is primarily a declaration to nationwide law enforcement and security organizations that “we want you to engage in either more or less enforcement and security activity.”

Every day, U.S. intelligence officials gather and analyze terrorist threat information, Ridge said. Four times now, he pointed out, the aggregation and examination of such information from credible sources has caused the government to raise the terror alert status.

When analysts come across credible information suggesting a terrorist attack on America is imminent, Ridge said, the President’s Homeland Security Council is called together. That body is comprised of “quite a few members of the president’s cabinet,” the secretary said.

He attended such a meeting May 20, an occurrence that shortened his testimony before the House Homeland Security Select Committee, Ridge said.

Within 45 minutes of leaving Capitol Hill for the White House meeting Ridge and other Homeland Security Council members recommended to the president that the terror alert level be raised to high, he said.

The president concurred, and “accordingly, we went to ‘orange,’” Ridge said.

Ridge pointed out that the information possessed by U.S. officials doesn’t specify the exact “time, place and manner” of a potential terror attack on America.

The combination of current intelligence information, the recent terrorist attacks in Morocco and Saudi Arabia, and the release of the purported al Qaeda audiotape message convinced national leaders the terror alert level needed to be raised.

“And that’s precisely what we did,” he said.

HOMELAND SECURITY
ADVISORY SYSTEM

HIGH
HIGH RISK OF
TERRORIST ATTACKS

CURRENT NATIONWIDE THREAT LEVEL

Source: www.whitehouse.gov



Second Lt. Frederick Alcazar
E-3
Tinker AFB, Okla.



Second Lt. Seth Anderson
C-130
Elmendorf AFB, Alaska



Ensign Jeff Blankenship
P-3
NAS Brunswick, Maine



Ensign Ryan Case
P-3
NAS Brunswick, Maine



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Offutt AFB, Neb.



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Second Lt. Marc McMannon
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Tinker AFB, Okla.



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C-130
Little Rock AFB, Ark.

JSUNT graduation set for today

By Airman 1st Class Chad Tarpley
12th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

Seventeen Air Force and eleven Navy officers receive their navigator or naval flight officer wings during a Joint Specialized Undergraduate Navigator Training graduation ceremony here today.

The ceremony is scheduled for 10 a.m. in the Randolph Officers' Club.

The guest speaker for today's graduation is Col. Daryl Hausmann.

Colonel Hausmann is currently the 12th Flying Training Wing vice commander here.

Colonel Hausmann recieved his commission through Air Force ROTC at Texas A&M in 1976. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Economics and in 1986 he earned a Master of Aeronautical

Science degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. In 1997, Colonel Hausmann grduated from the National War College at Fort Lesley J. McNair in Washington D.C.

Colonel Hausmann has served as a forward air controller, fighter pilot, fighter weapons instructor, operations officer, squadron commander, operations group commander and strategic planner at the Joint Chiefs of Staff.

He currently holds a command pilot rating with more than 3,700 flight hours with more than 2,200 hours in the F-16.

His military awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with three oak leaf clusters and the Air Medal with seven oak leaf clusters.

Colonel Hausmann will present the students with their respective service's silver wings or golden wings, as well

as four special awards during the ceremony.

The awards that will be presented during the graduation ceremony are:

- **Air Education and Training Command Commander's Cup Award:** Presented to the most outstanding graduate based on demonstrated excellence in all phases of training while exhibiting strong qualities of professionalism and leadership.
- **Alden C. Markey Award:** Presented to the top Navy graduate based on performance in all phases of training.
- **Ira J. Husik Award:** Presented to the navigator achieving the highest standard of excellence during the flying phase of training.
- **Jack Donovan Award:** Presented to the top electronic warfare officer graduate who has distinguished himself from his peers by outstanding airmanship, academic and officership skills.

ALS graduation

The Randolph Airman Leadership School graduation and awards ceremony for class 03-6 is July 1 in the enlisted club. The social will start at 6 p.m. and the ceremony will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The cost for club members is \$14 and the cost for non-club members is \$16. RSVP by June 24, close of business.

For more information, call Master Sgt. Marc LaMontagne at 652-5283.

ElectroMed 2003

The Brooks City-Base Radio Frequency Radiation Branch and University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio Medical School will sponsor ElectroMed 2003 June 11-13 at the Westin Riverwalk Hotel.

News Briefs

ElectroMed invites medical professionals, microbiologists, molecular biologists, physicists and electrical engineers to exchange their experiences in the field.

For more information, call Debra Foster at 536-1365, or visit www.electromed2003.com.

RFISD personnel elected

Randolph Field Independent School District has hired a new associate principal, Allana Hemenway, coming from Lockhart High School. New board officers for the coming school year were also elected, including Sally Pyrc, who is being retained as president, Edward Blauvelt as vice

president and George DeCoux as secretary.

Disc Golf

The Randolph Metrocom Chamber of Commerce and the City of Live Oak will hold the 4th Annual Air Force/Civilian Disc Golf Tournament June 7 at 11 a.m. The event is free for Air Force personnel E-6 and below and grade equivalent civilian workers. Participants will receive free playing discs, a T-shirt, hat, lunch ticket and other items in a goody bag. Awards and door prizes will be given, valued at over \$800. The event will be held at the City of Live Oak Park/Disc Golf Course at the end of Leafy Hollow.

Register by sending your name, unit/organization and telephone number via e-mail to Tech. Sgt. Kimberly Spencer, kimberly.spencer@randolph.af.mil.

Randolph spouse wins award

By Jennifer Valentin
Wingspread staff writer

Recently, a Randolph spouse was awarded the San Antonio Non Commissioned Officers Association Enlisted Air Force Spouse of the Year award.

Nicole Blauvelt received the award at a ceremony held May 17 at Sea World. Nicole is married to Master Sgt. Edward Blauvelt, Headquarters 19th Air Force, superintendent, aviation management. Sergeant Blauvelt nominated her for the award.

“I nominated Nicole because she emphasizes the term Military Spouse,” said Sergeant Blauvelt. “She has tirelessly provided service and assistance to the Air Force and the Air Force family as a whole.”

Ms. Blauvelt said she was sur-



Nicole Blauvelt

prised to win the award. “I felt shocked and overwhelmed all at once,” said Ms. Blauvelt. “I am very honored to be chosen to represent the San Antonio Air Force spouses.”

Ms. Blauvelt’s service to her

Air Force family during the past 19 years has been nothing less than exceptional, said Sergeant Blauvelt. Ms. Blauvelt is a Girl Scout leader, Cub Scout leader, Sunday School teacher, and elementary school parent assistant, participated in Project Graduation, school booster clubs and other activities.

Through her work with Project Graduation, she helped raise more than \$11,000 at more than 20 events. Project Graduation provides a drug and alcohol free party for graduating seniors. In addition to Sunday School, she also volunteers with the Protestant Women of the Chapel.

Ms. Blauvelt has completed the 180-hour program to become an Air Force School Age Program Assistant. This allows her to help take care of children

on base at the youth center once the school day is over.

Ms. Blauvelt moved here from her homeland of England.

“She has embraced America as her home, and she provides support throughout the Air Force, wherever she goes,” said her husband.

As the mother of two special needs children, Ms. Blauvelt has gone out of her way to provide what they need every day. By doing this, Ms. Blauvelt has increased the on base programs and assets that other special needs children required.

“I want to thank my husband, Ed, because I am so very proud he appreciates what all military spouses do and took the time to nominate me,” said Ms. Blauvelt. “I spend my time volunteering because it is the right thing to do.

I think what I do in comparison to the men and women in uniform stationed all over the world is very small.”

Ms. Blauvelt competed against 11 other Air Force spouses from Headquarters Air Education and Training Command, Air Force Personnel Center, Randolph, Lackland and Brooks.

“Nicole constantly sets an example for others,” said Sergeant Blauvelt. “Her service is a reward to others.”

The San Antonio Non Commissioned Officers Association Enlisted Air Force Spouse of the Year award ceremony is sponsored by the NCOA, and has been held for the past five years. More than 30 local businesses provide gifts and funds to the nominees and winners.

Base offers boating safety course

By Jennifer Valentin
Wingspread staff writer

Outdoor recreation offers boating safety courses for those who want to be safe on the water.

The courses are held the first and third Wednesday every month at 6:30 p.m. at equipment rental. They are also held seven days a week at the Randolph Canyon Lake Recreational Area.

“Anyone who wants to rent a pontoon boat, ski boat or bass boat must have and be in possession of a valid safety

course card,” said Jay Whiston, Randolph Canyon Lake Recreational Area manager.

Anyone who is authorized to use the park, including active duty military, retirees, DOD civilians and dependents, are allowed to take the course.

The course starts with the introduction of the different types of boat hulls and why there are different types; inboard and outboard engines; docking and getting underway; the rules while underway; and accident awareness.

It also discusses the effects of vision after being on the water for a long time; the use of jet ski’s and other water

crafts; right-a-way laws; boating responsibilities and safety around people such as divers, fishermen and skiers.

There is an 18-question test, which is required to be taken after class participants watch a film on boating safety, said Mr. Whiston. The card is valid for two years from the issue date.

The next class is scheduled for Wednesday at the equipment rental building, Building 897.

For more information on the boating safety course or to sign up, call 1-830-964-3804 or call equipment rental at 652-3698.

Randolph Community Bulletin Board



Miscellaneous Community Notes

Pre-kindergarten registration

Registration for children qualifying for participation in Randolph Elementary School’s pre-kindergarten program for the 2003-2004 school year is underway now through June 20. Pre-kindergarten classes are offered on a half day basis from Randolph Field Independent School District, from 8-11 a.m. or 12:15-3:15 p.m. All resident students and transfer students can apply. For more information on requirements or what to bring when registering, call 357-2345.

ASMC meeting

The Alamo City Chapter of the American Society of Military Comptrollers monthly meeting is June 17 at 11 a.m. at the officers’ club. A lunch will be offered at 11:30 a.m., including scholarship award presentations and transition to new officers. For more information, call Master Sgt. Lu Ann Trent at 652-5393.

Retirement/separation briefing
A retirement/separation briefing is June 6 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. in the family support center ballroom. For more information , call Debra Hall at 652-3633.

Randolph Chiefs’ Group meeting

The Randolph Chief’s Group monthly meeting is June 6 at 3 p.m. at the enlisted club. All chiefs are encouraged to attend. For more information, call Chief Master Sgt. Kent Uphoff at 652-5503, or visit www.chiefsgroup.org.

Finance office closure

The 12th Comptroller Squadron will close for a unit function Monday at noon. This closure includes the customer service counter. If finance emergencies occur, call your first sergeant. For more information, call Capt. Mike Connor at 652-6944.

School, sports and camp physicals

School, sports and camp physicals will be offered at the Randolph Clinic Thursday and June 26, July 10 and 31, and Aug. 7 from 4-6 p.m. Randolph TRICARE Prime enrollees can make appointments now for June, June 15 for July and July 15 for August. Call the central appointment office to schedule an appointment duty days between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. at 945-0411. Students must wear loose clothing, bring their military identification card, TRICARE card or medical card, shot record and school physical form. Parents must come with the students if they are under age 18. For more information, call 652-2543.

Volunteers recognized

The 12th Flying Training Wing recognizes the following people for their volunteer support of the base community relations program by serving as speakers, judges and tour guides during May. Speakers: Lt. Col. Blake Donald, 12th Flying Training Wing; Lt. Col. Richard Baumann, 12th FTW; Maj. Greg Thurgood, 12th FTW; Maj. Timothy Giras, 12th FTW; Major David Valor, 12th FTW; Capt. Fidel Lepe, 12th FTW; Mr. Dennis Guadarrama, Air Education and Training Command; Chief Master Sgt. Mark Anderson, AETC; Chief Master Sgt. B. A. Ward, AETC; Capt. Chris McMartin, 12th FTW; Senior Master Sgt. Van Johnson, 12th FTW and Staff Sgt. Clinton Minor, Air Force Personnel Center. Judges: Senior Master Sgt. Augustine Molina, AFPC; Staff Sgt. Javier Rodriguez, AFPC; Staff Sgt. Cindy Wittnebel, AFPC; Staff Sgt. Daniel Cortinas, AFPC and Staff Sgt. Allison Martin, AFPC. Tour Escorts: 2nd Lt. Vincent Heitmann, 12th FTW; Tech. Sgt. Peter Law, 12th FTW; Tech. Sgt. Tina Wallace, AFPC; Senior Airman Melissa Mintern, AFPC; Airman 1st Class Jessica Gibson, 12th FTW; Airman 1st Class George Wild, 12th FTW and Airman 1st Class Jancy Jimenez, 12th FTW. For more information or to volunteer for any of these programs, call the community relations section of the wing public affairs office at 652-4407.



Building 693

Family Support Center

Telephone: 652-5321

How to start a business

The Small Business Administration will conduct a seminar on starting a business Tuesday from 8-11 a.m. Pre-registration is required prior to the seminar. For more information, call 652-5321.

Money management seminar

A personal financial class will be held Tuesday from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Call 652-5321 to sign up.

Bundles for Baby

A program is offered for active duty members and their spouses who are expecting a baby. The program is June 6 from 2-3:30 p.m. For more information, call 652-5321.

Drug, Alcohol Driving Awareness Program

This is a six-hour course which can be used for a 5 percent auto insurance discount for a renewal three-year period. It is designed to address risks associated with alcohol and drugs. The program is held June 7 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.



Building 208

Education Services

Telephone: 652-5964

Office closure

The education center will be closed June 9 for Wing down day. For more information, call 652-5964.

Randolph college fair

Area colleges, including the University of Texas at Austin, are sending representatives to answer questions and provide promotional materials at a college fair June 26 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the ballroom at the family support center. Financial aid, teacher certification and commissioning program representatives will also be available. In addition, Southwest Texas State University will provide unofficial teacher certification evaluations. Students interested in this service need to bring copies of all transcripts listing undergraduate degree credit. Evaluations will be provided on a first comes first serve basis.

ERAU

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University is currently accepting applications for admission to the Bachelor of Science in Professional Aeronautics, Bachelor of Science in the Management of Technical Operations, and Master of Aeronautical Science Degrees. The next term runs Aug. 4 to Oct. 5. Transfer credit is accepted. Undergraduate credit available for Air Force 7-level, A &/or P license. Graduate credit is available for certain Air Force officer courses including Squadron Officer School, Air Command and Staff College, Air War College, Pilot Instructor Training, and Flight Safety Officer. Registration begins July 21. Applications are also being accepted for qualified adjunct faculty. A masters degree in the teaching field is required, and a doctorate preferred. Call the ERAU office at 659-0801. More information is available at www.erau/sanantonio.edu.

St. Mary’s University

Summer Term II graduate classes offered on Randolph are: International Business, Computer Special Topics and Industrial/Organizational Psychology. Classes meet two nights per week from June 30 through Aug. 18. Students interested in attending must be admitted to a graduate program.

Air Force education and resource center

Peterson’s study resources and practice test are now available online free. This is a helpful site for those who are looking to take the College Level Examination Preparation test, Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support, the Graduate Management Admissions Test and the Officer Candidate Test. For more information, go to <http://www.petersons.com/airforce/testprep.html>.

PA closure

The 12th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs office will close at noon today for an office function, and all day June 6 to participate in an off-base media event sponsored by the Red Cross. The on-call PA representative can be reached through the Randolph Command Center in emergencies.



Building 102

Chapel Services

Telephone: 652-6121

Protestant

Sunday-Worship I at 8:30 a.m. in Chapel 1; Liturgical at 10 a.m. in Chapel 1; Worship II at 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 1; Gospel at 1 p.m. in Chapel 1
Monday-Male Chorus at 7 p.m. in Chapel 1
Tuesday-Men’s Bible Study at 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 1; Protestant Women of the Chapel Autumn Winds Visit at 2 p.m. in the Autumn Winds Retirement Home
Wednesday-PWOC Bible Study at 12:15 p.m. in the chapel center; Women’s Bible Study at 6 p.m. in the chapel center; Gospel Choir at 7 p.m. in Chapel 1
Thursday-Precept Bible Study at 6:30 p.m. in the chapel center; Chancel Choir at 7 p.m. in Chapel 1; Musical Practice at 7:45 p.m. in Chapel 1

Catholic

Friday-Rosary at 11:10 a.m. in Chapel 1; Mass at 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 1
Sunday-Mass at 8:30 a.m., 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 2
Monday-Rosary at 11:10 a.m. in Chapel 1; Mass at 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday-Rosary at 11:10 a.m. in Chapel 1; Mass at 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 1; Contemporary Teen and Adult Choir at 6:30 p.m. in Chapel 2; Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults at 7 p.m. in the chapel center
Wednesday-Rosary at 11:10 a.m. in Chapel 1; Mass at 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 1
Thursday-Rosary at 11:10 a.m. in Chapel 1; Mass at 11:30 a.m. in Chapel 1

Ecumenical

Vacation Bible School: June 23-27 from 9:30 a.m. to 12:45 p.m.
Monday-Wedding Briefing at 3 p.m. in the chapel center
Wednesday-Film Luncheon at 11 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. in the chapel center; Christian Youth of the Chapel Bible Study at 7:30 p.m. in the chapel center



Building 100

Movies

Telephone: 652-3278

Admission at the base theater is \$2 for adults and \$1.50 for children unless otherwise noted.

Today
“**Head of State**” (PG-13), 7 p.m. Starring Chris Rock. An alderman replaces a presidential candidate.

Saturday
“**Anger Management**” (PG-13), 7 p.m. Starring Adam Sandler. A mild-mannered businessman is wrongly accused of a crime and sentenced to anger management.

Sunday
“**View from the Top**” (PG-13), 7 p.m. Starring Gwyneth Paltrow. Friends try to become stewardesses for top airlines.

June 6
“**Malibu’s Most Wanted**” (PG-13), 7 p.m. Starring Jamie Kennedy. A wannabe rap star’s dad wants to change his attitude, so he hires actors to kidnap him and drop him off at the real ghetto.

12th CES gives landscaping tips

By Bob Hieronymus
Wingspread staff writer

Ask anyone who has once been stationed here which base they think is the most beautiful, and the answer will probably be Randolph. The magnificent trees and plants help make this base a very special place.

“Like all the good things people try to do, keeping Randolph beautiful requires knowing what works and what doesn’t,” said John Wildie, environmental scientist for the 12th Civil Engineer Squadron. “The problem with many base beautification projects is that people don’t realize that good landscaping is a long term commitment. Putting plants into the ground is just the beginning,” he said.

Mr. Wildie suggested this hypothetical situation. A squadron detail builds a decorative masonry border two feet away from its building foundation as part of an “I Love Randolph” campaign. They bring in 20 bags of garden soil from the BXtra for their new

garden. Then they plant lots of annual flowers and a little ligustrum shrub on each side of the front entrance. What’s wrong with this picture?

A mature ligustrum will normally be four to six feet in diameter but the flowerbed is only two feet wide. The shrub will spread its branches beyond the bed and kill the grass it shades. Then the normal Air Force personnel cycle kicks in and the people who put labor into the planting are reassigned. The new people just let the shrubs grow without trimming them. In five years, the ligustrums reach their mature height of 20 feet, where they rub against the walls and roof tiles until repairs to the building are needed.

Mr. Wildie pointed out that the idea of the flower bed is great, but the choice of the ligustrum for that location is the problem. He listed five principles about plantings that should help everyone, whether on or off base.

- Plan all planting beds to accommodate

the natural, mature size of the plants, not the convenience of the people doing the planting.

- Make sure that any plantings or beds around the base of a tree leave open air space all the way down to the original soil level next to the tree. Moisture held by soil or mulch against the tree trunk will eventually rot the wood and interrupt the circulation of nutrients between the roots and the leaves, damaging and possibly killing the tree.

- Choose the right plants for the right locations. Plants that prefer shade will not thrive on the sunny side of the building, and vice versa. A Live Oak tree may be native to Texas but it will not survive in a four-foot wide traffic island.

- Don’t overwater your plants. Plants will normally show minor wilting in the morning that they need water. Afternoon wilting may be nothing more than a response to the daily cycle of sun and

shade. Be aware that even xeriscape plants require extra watering while they are getting established, a process that may take a year or more depending on the plant.

- Use compost and mulch to cool the ground in summer and retain water in flowerbeds and around trees. However, inadequate watering with mulches can, in fact, draw water away from plants through capillary action from the soil into the mulch.

Keeping Randolph beautiful requires continuing efforts and careful attention to the needs of the plants. Mr. Wildie said that he is available to work with anyone on base to design and plan for maintaining trees and shrubs. “An attractive base is a well-planned base,” he said, “and a well-planned base is a heritage to pass on for many years to come.”

For more information or to schedule a time for assistance, call 652-3079.

Tips offered for preventing accidents at home

By Jennifer Valentin
Wingspread staff writer

According to the National Safety Council, a fatal injury occurs in the home every 18 minutes and a disabling injury occurs every four seconds. Solid and liquid poisonings, falls, fires and burns, and suffocation by an ingested object are the top four causes of death in the home.

People should take a look at their homes and make sure they have all the items necessary for a safe family environment.

Smoke detectors should be on every floor of the home and outside every bedroom, according to the NSC. Carbon monoxide detectors are also necessary for detecting the odorless, colorless and tasteless gas. Fire extinguishers have different categories for different types of fires. For the home, experts recommend a ‘BC’ or an ‘ABC’ extinguisher. An ‘A’ extinguisher should never be purchased for the home because these water-based extinguishers can cause flames to splatter or cause shocks in an electrical fire, according to the NSC.

Nightlights are a good item to have in the home, especially around stairways, in bathrooms and in bedrooms.

One-step stools are handy to have around when something needs to be reached in a high or far place. They also



Tech. Sgt. Trudy Bussey, Air Force Personnel Center, organizes her first-aid kit at home. (Photo by Jennifer Valentin)

prevent injuries when people decide to use something that is not so sturdy, such as a rocking chair.

According to the NSC, grab bars and handrails are essential in the home, especially in the bathtub or around

stairs and steps. Deadbolt locks and sturdy doors are a good investment to have on every entrance to the home. People can ask locksmiths for a lock that is pick and drill-proof.

First-aid kits should include, among other things, antiseptic ointment, bandages, gauze pads, scissors, tweezers and eyewash. Flashlights should be kept where they are easily reachable in case of a power outage or bad weather.

Every family should have an evacuation plan, highlighting the fastest ways out of the house. Families should practice this together often. Every family should also have a disaster kit, including such items as water, cash, tools, a first-aid kit, non-perishable food and flashlights.

“Remember that our children watch us when we repair things in our home,” said Staff Sgt. David Roller, 12th Flying Training Wing safety office. “So if you are doing something wrong, they will think it is OK to do it wrong, too. It is the same with being safe and making sure your home is safe. Make sure you do it right.”

Think safety when you are setting an example, said the sergeant.

The telephone numbers of emergency personnel, physicians and poison control should be posted in plain view of the family so they can be easily retrieved.

For more information, visit www.nsc.org, or contact the 12th FTW Safety Office at 652-1842.

Base offers monthly activities



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Fitness center annex construction

Due to activation of chilled water lines, the heating and ventilation and air conditioning in Hangar 71 will be off Saturday from 6 a.m. to noon.

For more information, call the fitness center at 652-5316.

Auger Inn

Auger Inn is the place to watch the National Basketball Association Championship. The inn opens for the pregame one half-hour prior to game start with complimentary hors d'oeuvres, discounted beverages and prizes. Wear a team's jersey and pay no admission fee. At half time, beverage prices will be discounted more for the leading team's fans.

For more information call 652-4864.

Sunset cruise

Outdoor recreation at Canyon Lake invites people to enjoy a sunset cruise on

the lake, departing the marina Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and returning after sunset. The trip is approximately 2 1/2 hours long. The cruise takes place every Saturday and is \$3 per person or \$5 per couple.

For more information, call Canyon Lake at 1-800-280-3466.

Comal River trip

A night diving and snorkel trip is scheduled for Sunday on the Comal River. Participation is limited to fifteen divers/non-divers, so reserve early. All participants will be responsible for providing the required equipment and a valid certification “C” card. Prices for divers is \$30 and for snorkelers is \$15. The trip will leave the equipment checkout facility, Building 897, at 6:30 p.m. and return at 10:30 p.m.

For more information, call 1-800-280-3466.

Upcoming tours:

Join others aboard the Texas Treasure Casino Cruise Ship out of Port Aransas. The trip departs Randolph at 7 a.m. and returns at approximately 8:30 p.m. The tour price is \$25 and includes roundtrip motor coach, international buffet and live entertainment. Enjoy live casino action, loose slots, video poker, craps,

roulette and blackjack. The bus fills up quickly so stop by the ITT office and sign up today.

The tour dates are June 21, July 19, Aug. 16 and Sept. 13.

Sea World of Texas

The world’s largest marine life adventure park and family entertainment showplace, presents a lineup of more than 25 shows, rides, animal attractions and educational experiences for all ages. Daily admission passes are available for \$22 for everyone ages 3 and up. A two-year season pass is now available for \$76.50.

Schlitterbahn Water Park

Schlitterbahn Waterpark Resort is located on the banks of the spring-fed Comal River in New Braunfels, between San Antonio and Austin. Discounted tickets are available for \$27.25 for adults and \$22.50 for children ages 3-11.

Splashtown San Antonio

Splashtown San Antonio is open week-ends now but will be open daily starting from Sunday through Aug. 17 and Saturdays and Sundays through Sept. 14.

Discounted passes are available at the ITT office for \$13 for everyone ages 3 and up.

May Calendar

Today and Saturday Stay In Shape	
In Every State,	
Today	Bubba Littrell, 6:30 - 10:30 p.m., Sky Lounge, Officers' Club
Today	Birthday Party, 2:15 p.m., Child Development Center
Saturday	Quarterly 5K Run/Walk 'World Wide,' 8:30 a.m., Eberle Park
Saturday	America Kids Run, 11 a.m., Eberle Park
Sunday - June 30	Journey Around the World, Fitness Center
Wednesday	Boating Safety Course, 6 - 8 p.m. Equipment Rental
Thursday	Introduction to Strength Training and Yoga Class, 2 p.m., Fitness Center

Airmen's Dining Facility

Building 860 — 652-5533
Recorded Menu 652-MEAL (6325)

Weekday meals:
5:45 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. Breakfast
10:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Lunch
4:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Dinner

7 p.m. - 8 p.m. Carry out

Weekends and Holidays:
8 a.m. - 1 p.m. Brunch
4 p.m. - 6 p.m. Dinner
No carry out



Turnabout

Melissa Peterson, a Randolph photographer, is flanked by 558th Flying Training Squadron instructor pilots Maj. James Curtis and Capt. Sean Hook. Ms. Peterson is normally the one taking pictures when distinguished visitors come to Randolph, but recently, Maj. Gen. Joseph Stein, Air Combat Command director of Aerospace Operations, turned the camera on the photographer. The general received a flight in the T-6A Texan II as part of his wing visit. (Photo by Maj. Gen. Joseph Stein)

Chiefs vs. Eagles game set

By Airman 1st Class Chad Tarpley
12th Flying Training Wing Public Affairs

On Thursday, the colonels of Randolph will attempt to defend their title against the Randolph chief master sergeants in the annual Chiefs vs. Eagles softball game at Rambler Field at 3 p.m.

Tensions ran high last year after the colonels beat the chiefs and then bought Chief Master Sgt. Timmothy Dickens, 12th Flying Training Wing Command Chief Master Sergeant, a tee ball set.

“We didn’t lose last year, we just ran out of time,” said Chief Master Sgt. Mark Stevens, chiefs assistant coach. “We

have a new coach this year who really knows the game. We’re going to win and we’re going to win big.”

The colonels, who won last year 15-12, believe the title will remain in their possession this year.

“Last year, we gave the chiefs extra innings to tie the score and they still couldn’t do it,” said Lt. Col. Richard Simpson, coach for the colonels. “We are ready this year to once again ‘tee’ them up.”

Both teams are scheduled to practice at Bush Field. The chiefs will be there on Monday at 3:30 p.m. and the colonels on Wednesday.

Base members are encouraged to come out and watch the game and support their team.

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Chief Master Sgt. Mark Stevens
Chiefs assistant coach

“I think June 5 will be a great day to feast on some ‘birds’,” said Chief Master Sgt. Kent Uphoff. “We have not forgotten the tee ball set the Eagles gave to Chief Dickens last year. Victory will be ours.”

Joggers... Wear reflective clothing so you can be seen